1	2	3	4
13	Alhilal	Defence	Kangra
14	Mandi	Civil	Mandi
15	NHPC Chamera No.1	Project	Chamba
16	NHPCChameraNo.2	Project	Chamba
17	Dalhousie at Banikhet	Civil	Chamba
18	Bakloh	Defence	Chamba
19	NHPC Parbati Project, Sainj	Project	Kullu

Literacy rate among dalit women

†*360. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleaesd to state:

(a) the literacy rate among dalit women in the country, State-wise;

(b) the States where it is the lowest;

(c) whether any special action plan has been formulated for the States, where literacy rate is the lowest; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) The Registrar General, India has intimated that the literacy rates of Schedule Castes and Scheduled Tribes as per 2001 census are not available. However, according to National Sample Survey Organisation 55th Round (1999-2000) the literacy rate of Scheduled Castes women and Scheduled Tribes women is 40% and 37% respectively. The State-wise literacy rate among SCs and STs women according to the National Sample Survey Organisation 55th Round (1999-2000) is annexed as Statement. *{See* below).

(b) As per this data the following States have literacy rate below the national average of 40% amongst Scheduled Castes and 37% for Scheduled Tribes.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

SI. N	Scheduled Castes	SI. No.	Scheduled Tribes
1	Andhra Pradesh (39%)	1	Andhra Pradesh (21%)
2	Bihar (17%)	2	Bihar (28%)
3	Haryana (37%)	3	Karnataka (35%)
4	Madhya Pradesh (37%)	4	Madhya Pradesh (25%)
5	Orissa (35%)	5	Orissa (24%)
6	Rajasthan (26%)	6	Rajasthan (23%)
7	Uttar Pradesh (30%)	7	West Bengal (33%)

(c) and (d) The Sarva Siksha Abhiyan is a National Programme for universalisation of elementary education through a time bound integrated approach in partnership with States.There are special interventions under the above programme for the girl child. Some of these interventions for education of girl children from socially weaker sections of the society are:

* Context specific innovative interventions for girls education and education of SC/ST children upto Rs. 50 lakh in a district in a particular year in which the ceiling for each intervention is Rs. 15.00 lakhs.
* Incentives like uniforms and scholarships are funded from State Plan.
* Mahila Samakhya like intervention from the innovation fund.
* Special mainstreaming camps, AIE centres for out-of-school girls/ SC/ST children.
* Special teaching support as per need.
* Using Community Teachers.
* Context specific intervention in the form of a hostel, an incentive or special facility as required and Mid-day meal programme.
* Provision of free text books to all girl/SC/ST children at primary and upper primary level with an upper ceiling of Rs. 150/- per child.
* Strengthening of madarsas and maktabs for formal education to girls.
* At least 50% of the teachers to be appointed have to be women.

Statement

*Women literacy rates of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (NSS55th Round-1*999-2000)

SI. No	States/UTs	Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
		Female	Female
1	Andhra Pradesh	39	21
2	Arunachal Pradesh	NA	48
3	Assam	60	65
4	Bihar*	17	28
5	Goa	NA	NA
6	Gujarat	50	41
7	Haryana	37	NA
8	Himachal Pradesh	64	59
9	J&K	50	52
10	Karnataka	41	35
11	Kerala	77	75
12	Madhya Pradesh**	37	25
13	Maharashtra	63	44
14	Manipur	63	65
15	Meghalaya	77	75
16	Mizoram	NA	96
17	Nagaland	NA	80
18	Orissa	35	24
19	Punjab	45	68
20	Rajasthan	26	23
21	Sikkim	67	67
22	Tamil Nadu	52	59
23	Tripura	68	75
24	Uttar Pradesh***	30	41
25	West Bengal	49	33
26	A & N Islands	NA	70
27	Chandigarh	58	70
28	Dadara & Nagar Haveli	N.A	43
29	Daman & Diu	69	58
30	Delhi	58	73
31	Lakshadweep	NA	83
32	Pondicherry	54	NA
	India	40	37

*Includes Jharkhand

**Includes Chhattisgarh.

***Includes Uttaranchal.